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(57) Abstract: Objective methods for detecting and diagnosing colorectal cancer (CRC) are described herein. In one embodiment, the diagnostic method involves determining an expression level of FGF18 that discriminate between CRC and normal cell. The present invention further provides methods of screening for therapeutic agents useful in the treatment of CRC, methods of treating CRC, and method of vaccinating a subject against CRC.